

## FARM NEWS.

## GUMPTION ON THE FARM.

Sort well your seed, but first be careful to select the right sort.

The dung-hole does not empty half so many barrels as the little, everlasting drizzle from the spigot.

Never heard of anybody running the cultivator too much, except one man who was too busy cultivating to dig his wife's flower-beds for her.

It will pay to have on hand duplicates of the most breakable parts of the harvester. It costs time, which is valuable, to stop a machine in rush days to wait for the broken parts.

To the hired man: You can be a man whom the whole neighborhood will want. How? Just by being fair and square, earnest, honest, good-natured and clean in all your life. No out-of-work times for such a man.

When you wish permission to go across another man's land, go and ask for it. Don't take it for granted that "it will be all right." You can only be sure of that by going to headquarters and talking with the master.

Out of 2,500 boys recently examined in the schools of Kansas, only six cigarette smokers were found to be what would generally be called "bright." Ten of the remainder were average students, while all the rest of the 2,500 were found to be poor at their studies, or worthless.

One of the handiest things about a farm is a canvas large enough to cover a load or stack of hay. Those who still stack all hay outside need one most. But there are many other uses for one, such as covering loads of grain that can not be unloaded before a shower, a protection for the binder on dewy nights, etc.

The answer we have been giving to young men who wish to get into agricultural journalism, is to go on a farm which is devoted to the specialty he is most interested in and work and write, write, write, sending them until he makes a reputation for himself; then, if a way is open for him—it will open. Others may give better advice than this, but this is the best we can do.

In a little while summer boarders will be in evidence. Deal gently with them, brethren, when they ask you how many eggs the eggplant produces in a day, and when they ask to see the cow that gives butter and cheese. They mean well, but they are very green concerning country ways; and if they are frightened out of their wits when they meet a flock of sheep, do not remind them of their cheap jokes about the perils of a countryman crossing a busy street in town. The summer boarder is usually willing to learn, and in time he will even be able to distinguish between a bumblebee and a grasshopper.

Killing weeds by spraying: To make the spraying solution, empty a hundred-pound sack of sulphate of iron into a fifty-gallon barrel; fill to the chime with water and stir with a hoe for a few minutes until dissolved. Strain through several thicknesses of cheesecloth tacked over manhole of the spraying machine. Apply with a powerful spraying machine, producing a real mist free from drops. Use about fifty gallons to the acre, and spray on a bright, warm day, or on a dark, damp day; it does not

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matter so long as rain does not come within eighteen or twenty hours. This spray will not harm grain crops, and will kill wild mustard and various other weeds.—From June Farm Journal.

## ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Keep hoes sharp with a file.

Make three successional plantings of sweet corn this month, at ten-day intervals.

Never pick berries for market when they are wet. And, when picked, hurry them to a cool place out of the sun.

Out off, at any time, any suckers you may find growing at the foot of fruit trees or on the trunk or main limbs where branches should not grow.

Muzzle the horses and pad the outside portions of whiffletrees and harrow when cultivating the orchard, thus avoiding all bruised and "barked" trees.

Pay an occasional friendly visit to the trees set this spring. Rub off unnecessary sprouts, and make sure that no label wires have been left on the trees to choke them.

Watch for the little slugs—darkish, slimy fellows—that are likely to be on pear or cherry leaves now. Fine, dry dust, if thrown in the trees, will kill every slug it covers. Or almost any of the regulation orchard sprays will exterminate this pest.

One ounce of California bulbach dissolved in three gallons of water is a good, non-poisonous spray application for cabbage worms and lice. The imported "Persian insect powder" is the same thing, but is not so fresh and effective as the California article.

Cabbage and other plants can be protected from cutworms by erecting a two-inch-high paper fence around each stem. Lap the paper ends and push the "fence" an inch into the soil to hold it in place. The paper should not come nearer to the stem than about one and one-half inches.

The asparagus beetle is a troublesome pest, not easy to control, says Rural New-Yorker. Chickens are fond of them and will rid garden beds of the adults, but, of course, can be of little benefit in large fields. Clean cutting, especially in ridge culture, keeps them well under control in spring, but the slugs or larvae do considerable harm later.

Don't forget to keep picking the cucumbers as they ripen. Look through the vines carefully (they have a great way of hiding in the leaves), so that none will be overlooked; for two or three large ones going to seed will sap all the strength of their vine, whereas in picking them right along new ones will form, and a continued supply be secured.

The Bordeaux mixture is the proper remedy to use for all fungous troubles; viz., mildew and rust of beans; potato and tomato rot and leaf-blight; melon and cucumber diseases; celery leaf-blight and rust, etc. The half-strength mixture (two pounds copper sulphate, two pounds quicklime, fifty gallons water) is strong enough to use in the vegetable garden, except for potatoes.

Look out for the striped beetles. They often attack and destroy melons and cucumbers as fast as the plants appear above the ground. An application of wood-ashes, air-slaked lime, or gypsum, tainted with kerosene or turpentine or carbolic acid, will help to drive them away. If you have only a few plants, you can easily protect each hill by erecting a mosquito netting guard over it until the plants begin to run.

There are three common methods of growing strawberries—in hills, in narrow matted rows, or in wide matted rows. We prefer the second method. Arrange the first strong runners by hand, spacing them properly and securing each one in place with a little soil or a small stone. Then, when each row is full, cut off all additional runners that may grow. Keep the ground hoed and cultivated until late fall. The finished row should not be wider than fifteen or eighteen inches.—From June Farm Journal.

Set a post in your hog lot and every hog will rub against it. This gives the cure for a cheap and effective house killer. Wrap the post tightly from the ground up with quarter-inch rope, and saturate the rope with kerosene every few days. Kerosene will kill lice, and the hogs will keep on scratching against this post.

The Senate may not take a vote on the tariff bill until late in June.

## OUR NEIGHBORS.

Ed Walters, of the Big Sandy, who was with Uncle Jack Rittenhouse, is now clerking for J. T. Day.—Hazel Green Herald.

Asbury Patrick, of Salyersville, deputy U. S. Marshal, was here Monday en route to Catlettsburg, to attend U. S. Court in session there. Mr. Patrick is an applicant for Marshalship of this district and he has a splendid showing to get the place, Congressman Langley and other influential Republicans are working hard to land the job for Mr. Patrick.—Paintsville Herald.

Napawee Tribe of Red Men had a big time at Paintsville Thursday night of last week. An elegant supper was served to, more than 250 invited guests. Everything from baked chicken to ice cream and cake was on the menu. A string band was engaged and furnished fine music for the occasion. Speeches were made and the festivities did not come to a close until the wee small hours of the morning. This noble order is thriving and doing a great good in this section.—Paintsville Herald.

Mrs. Helen T. Burt, State Commander Ladies of the Macabees, was here Saturday en route home from Salyersville, where she installed a case of 24. The installation was public and the large court room there was crowded. Mrs. Frank Hawking was elected Commander of the Salyersville Hive. The L. O. T. M.'s are increasing in number at a very rapid rate. It is a splendid organization for the ladies, the social features being exceptionally fine.—Paintsville Herald.

County Court convened here Monday with Judge J. P. Harris presiding. It was previously announced that forty rules had been issued by Judge Harris against road overseers in this county. In this matter, the following steps were taken by the county: Ten overseers were fined, about ten others had their road section in good repair, and the remaining cases were conditionally continued until the next term of the court.—Prestonsburg Herald.

Last Sunday afternoon George Rose while intoxicated, shot Lee Robinson through the fore arm at the forks of Spurlock. Robinson had endeavored to prevent Rose from raising a public disturbance, and Rose becoming infuriated drew his revolver and shot Robinson through the fore arm, just above the hand. Robinson's wound is not serious, but the lives of several others, women and children, were in great danger. Deputy Sheriff Elliott Allen was dispatched immediately with the warrant for Rose's arrest, and he was arrested near the scene of the shooting, brought to this city and lodged in jail Sunday night. His examining trial was held Wednesday.—Prestonsburg Herald.

The annual meeting of the Churches of Christ of the Eastern Kentucky District will be held at Pikeville, June 25th-27th. President Crossfield, of Transylvania University, President Burton, of Morehead Normal, Prof. Moro, of Lexington, R. M. Hopkins, of Louisville, Prof. W. F. Smith, of Morehead, and E. L. Dix, of Morehead, editor of The Mountain, will be among the notables present. The Rev. W. D. Ryan, of Ashland, is president of the district, and he has in preparation a splendid program. The district takes in Rowan, Greenup, Carter, Lawrence, Boyd, Elliott, Martin, Magoffin, Johnson, Floyd and Pike counties. The services will be held in the new Christian Church in Pikeville. Other papers in the district please publish this notice. Every church and Sunday School should be represented by messenger or by letter. Those who expect to attend are requested to promptly send word to R. E. Neal, Pikeville, Ky., in order that entertainment may be assured to each delegate.

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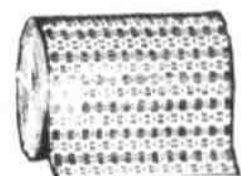
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## Obituary.

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He was laid to rest in the Pine Hill cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Hutchinson. All was done for little George that loving hands could do.

There's another had removed Ere it felt the blight of sin; Through the door the angels move Darling George has passed in; He has reached the golden shore. Crossed the river cold and deep, Angels bore him safely o'er, Little George's gone to sleep. He will wake in fairer lands Where the angels' band doth ring. There the flower it will expand. There will all perfection bring. Far beyond the azure skies. Where the tiny star eyes peep. From all earth cares, doubt or fears Little George's gone to sleep. Mrs. James H. Compton

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